

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Goebel, et al.

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For: Acyclic and cyclic guanidine-and acetamidine derivatives, their preparation and their

use as pesticides, esp. as parasiticides

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 5, 2007, Applicants elect Group I (claims 28-35, 37-39, and 43) without traverse. Because a Reply was initially due March 5, 2007, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate fee for a One-Month Extension of Time (\$120.00) to our Deposit Account No. **09-0528**, and this submission should be considered a Petition for such Extension. A duplicate of this paper is submitted for accounting purposes.

Even though this election is offered without traverse, Applicants wish to note that it would appear that claim 36 should have been included in Group I and request that the Examiner consider whether it was excluded from this Group as an oversight. The inclusion of the claimed "preparation" in Group II, which relates to methods, seems to be an error, and it appears that claim 36 should appropriately be included in Group I.

For the election of a single species, Applicants elect 2,2-dimethylbutyric acid {1-[2-chloro-thien-ylmethyl)-ethyl-amino]-2-nitro-vinyl}-methyl-carbamoyloxy)-methyl ester (compound no. 2.039 in Table 2). At least claims 28-34 read on the elected species.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative using the information provided below with any questions or comments regarding this Reply.

Respectfully submitted,

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